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The incompleteness of the Court Library is a standing cause of complaint with the CHIEF JUSTICE. Were the library supplied as it should be, judgments might possibly be shorter, and the learned Judge would probably no longer throw doubts on the technical correctness of his own decisions.

The other day, in giving his decision in the case of BERNARD, SOUTHWAY & Co., claimants in re AUGUSTINE HUBBARD & Co.'s estate, his Lordship said, "It might have been that the case of Hubbard and Lloyd would have been turned this question, but Hubbard and Lloyd is not in the colony." By all means, let us have "Hubbard and Lloyd," if for want of a report of this momentous case the public of Hongkong are to have Justice dealt out to them in which even the Judge himself has not full confidence. The judgment, it may be remarked, was delivered verbally, not read, and carried away by the force of his gravitas, his Lordship may innocently have made use of what he would wish to be understood as hyperbolic language. However this may be, there is no doubt that just cause of complaint exists in connection with the library, and the sooner its shelves are replenished the better for all concerned. Surely a Government which can afford to indulge in lavish expenditure on what at most can only be considered conveniences could afford a few dollars to promote the better administration of justice. If the library is not increased it will not be Sir John SMITH's fault, for he solemnly delivers a judgment in which he does not make this time-honoured complaint. When the estimates were before the Legislative Council in September last Sir John complained that the vote of £100 proposed for the augmentation of the library was insufficient, but was easily informed by the then Administrator, the Hon. J. G. ARTHUR, that in his opinion the vote was amply sufficient. Sir John explained that the books were very expensive, that he frequently had to decide cases without adequate means of reference, and that £100 would not purchase the number of works required. Mr. ARTHUR's report was that the matter had been fully considered. Now, whatever value Mr. ARTHUR may attach to his own opinion as opposed to that of the learned Judge, there can be no doubt that the latter is the better qualified to pronounce an opinion on the completeness or incompleteness of a law library. When the next estimates are considered it is to be hoped the CHIEF JUSTICE will again renew his application, and that a sum will be voted sufficient to meet the requirements of the case.

The agitation for the abolition of judicial torture in Japan still goes on, and to notice, goes on. The native Press every now and again have articles on the subject, in which

the practice is unparaphrasedly denounced, and arguments advanced for its discontinuance. Our readers are doubtless aware that the Japanese Government has partially abolished this cruel and impolitic practice. So far back as August, 1874, the Minister of Justice issued a notification to the following effect:—"Torture has hitherto been employed in examining persons who were charged with criminal offences. But as it would be grossly unjust that the innocent should suffer through a confession extorted from their fears or their agony, it is desirable that henceforward this mode of criminal investigation should cease. Should any case, however, present itself in which the use of torture appears necessary, the circumstances should be reported to the Shohoo (Judicial Department) monthly. Some of the Japanese were sanguine enough to hope this notification meant the abolition of the practice, but their expectations were disappointed; it simply meant its decreased use; the blot upon their system of judicial administration is only partially effaced. There is reason to believe, however, that it will soon be completely blotted out. A correspondent of one of the native papers, writing on the subject, states that a judge recently said in his hearing, 'Torture has been proved to be of no benefit, while it does much and cruel harm. The Minister of Justice is about to order its discontinuance, but as the apparatus by which it is executed in the Criminal Courts still remains, it is used to a greater or less extent. It is to be hoped that this administrator of the law spoke from personal knowledge, and that the Japanese Government are indeed about to rid themselves of this reproach. There can be no possible doubt that great numbers of innocent persons have been cruelly tortured, and are still tortured, in China if not in Japan. The abolition of the practice in the latter country would, doubtless have a good effect on the Chinese Government, and induce them to consider the expediency of following so excellent an example. Intercourse with foreigners is manifestly rubbing some of the barbarism off these nations, and a feeling is gaining ground in both in favour of the adoption of more humane laws. The Chinese, in this respect, as in all others, are making the slowest advance. It may, perhaps, turn out, however, that in the long run their progress is more certain and complete.

The Article of Association of a Chinese Banking Company, which was understood to have been drawn up, has been published in the "Sui Po," a paper of 1000 lines, nearly all of which has been subscribed by a few wealthy Chinese. The company is to be called the "Sui Po Bank," and its headquarters are to be at Hongkong, Shanghai, and Pootung, and subsequently at the other coast ports and centres of trade in China.

A telegram has been received by the consignment of the German ship *Madagascar*, Messrs. Siemens and Co., to the effect that that vessel had been ashore on Palo Ceiro de Mer. She was got off, looking badly, and was subsequently taken to the other coast ports and centres of trade in China.

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The Legislative Council will meet on Monday (the 27th instant) at 2.30 p.m.

The *Hocko Shihun* publishes to the world the intelligence that many thousands of Chinese have been imported into Japan from China.

Retains of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending March 23rd.

Day	Visitors	Total
Monday	144	144
Tuesday	105	249
Wednesday	101	350
Thursday	101	451
Friday	101	552
Saturday	101	653
Sunday	101	754
Monday	101	855
Tuesday	101	956
Wednesday	101	1057
Thursday	101	1158
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Saturday	101	1360
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